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ST PATRICK'S DAY 2018

A GLOBAL CELEBRATION

7,000,000

From Alaska to Australia

ATTEND
ST PATRICK'S DAY
PARADES AROUND
THE WORLD



OUR EMBASSY NETWORK
ORGANISES OVER **350**
EVENTS EACH YEAR TO
MARK THE DAY

CONNECTING 70 MILLION PEOPLE OF IRISH

New York City hosted the first official St. Patrick's Day parade in

1762



A currach regatta takes place each year in Barcelona – the only event of its kind on the Mediterranean



The Chicago River was first dyed green in 1961 by the Chicago Journeymen Plumbers Union; it was the world's first "greening"



25,000

The parade in Munich is the largest in mainland Europe with 25,000 participants and spectators



The shortest St. Patrick's Day parade in the world takes place in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on the 98-foot long Bridge St.



The city of San Antonio, Texas, is home to the world's only St. Patrick's Day river parade

The highest altitude St. Patrick's Day in the US takes place in Leadville Colorado



The ICEconcert Hall in Luleå (Swedish Lapland), is the most northerly landmark to have been greened for St. Patrick's Day



The most southerly landmark to ever go green for St. Patrick's Day is the Scott Base sign in Antarctica

The Great Wall of China and over 100 other iconic landmarks go green each year for St. Patrick's Day



Tokyo has the biggest and oldest St. Patrick's Day parade in Asia. There were 12 St. Patrick's Day parades in Japan last year

1952

There are 14 St. Patrick's Day festivals in Britain. The oldest was first held in Birmingham in 1952



1,000,000 +

Dublin has had an official St. Patrick's Day parade since 1931. The St. Patrick's Day festival lasts a week and attracts an international audience of 1 Million+

New Zealand is the first and most southerly country to celebrate and go green for St. Patrick's Day each year



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